

WANT RACE TRACK LAW MODIFIED

JAP STATISTICS FORWARDED BY SEC'Y. STRAUSS

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Secretary Strauss today forwarded a letter to Senator Frank Flint of California discussing the statistics of the department of commerce and labor covering the immigration of Japanese to the United States and emigration of Japanese from the United States. The letter states the total number of Japanese admitted in 1907 were 12,413, while the number admitted in 1908 was but 4477. The entire immigration for the year, beginning November 1, 1907, and ending October 31, 1908, was 6017. Departures for the same period were 5832, leaving an increase in the immigration of Japanese for that year of 185. Beginning with the month of June to October, 1908, the emigration of Japanese from the United States exceeded immigration to the United States by 1542. The figures show distinctly a trend migration of Japanese from the United States.

FIERCE FIRE IN TUNNEL

(By Associated Press.)
VIRGINIA CITY, Jan. 28.—Fire which broke out yesterday evening in the Suro tunnel underground canal used for draining the deep mines on the Comstock lode, is now confined to the bulkheads about 200 feet apart and 19,200 feet from the entrance at Carson river. The loss will be about \$10,000. Fifteen men were taken out of the tunnel unconscious. It is believed the fire will soon burn itself out.

California Senate Will Have an Inning With the Anti-Race Track Bill Today--May Modify the Bill.

(By Associated Press.)
SACRAMENTO, Jan. 28.—The Walker-Otis racetrack bill, as passed by the assembly, was the subject of discussion tonight by the senate committee on public morals. Thomas Williams, president of the New California Jockey club and several others representing the interests of that track as well as the Santa Anita Racing association, were heard at great length in arguments protesting against the passage of the bill unless amended to permit bookmaking for limited meetings not exceeding thirty days in the year in any county. It is likely the bill will come up for action tomorrow by the senate. The bill, according to leaders of both houses of the legislature, meets the approval of a large majority of the state senators. It makes bookmaking a felony, and Governor Gillett declared on several occasions he would sign any anti-race track bill passed by the legislature.

DAMAGE BY SNOW SLIDES

(By Associated Press.)
TELLURIDE (Colo.), Jan. 28.—The Telluride Power company's transmission line was broken today by a snowslide at Bullion Tunnel Smuggler mine and the town and mines have been without light and power for some hours. The railroad situation is becoming serious. The Denver and Rio Grande snow blow is out of commission. It is impossible to state when traffic will be resumed with Durango. The coal supply is almost exhausted.

PROCEEDINGS FOR RELEASE OF S. K. WILLIAMSON

(By Associated Press.)
LOS ANGELES, Jan. 28.—Habeas corpus proceedings for the release of Samuel K. Williamson, former cashier of the Searchlight Trust company, were continued until Saturday. No action was taken today at the request of the defense, because the case of Homer G. Taber, former president of the same company, who is seeking release in the same manner at San Diego, has been postponed and it is the purpose of the defense to make the Williamson case secondary to that of Taber. Both men are charged with alleged fraudulent banking operations.

RAWHIDE MILL TO SOON DOUBLE ITS CAPACITY

RAWHIDE, Jan. 28.—All doubts as to the success of the Murray mill have been set at rest. Today after an uninterrupted run of fifty hours on fifty tons of ore from the dump of the Murray mine a recovery of 106 pounds of amalgam was made. This was retorted and gave a net return of sixty-eight ounces of bullion, which will net the company \$1360. The mill is running as smoothly as a watch and with three shifts at work. Already the management is making arrangements to add the second unit, and double the capacity of the run. Careful and conservative estimates made by engineers of ore blocks out show that there is in sight enough ore to run the mill one year. Tomorrow the high-grade screenings will be started.

ATTORNEY JEROME WINS A ROUND IN LIBEL SUIT

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—The uncertainty as to what action would be taken on the suggestion of District Attorney Jerome in the case of the government suit against the New York World for libel, that the federal authorities permit him to proceed in their stead, was in a measure removed today by the signing of an affidavit by Douglas Robinson, brother-in-law of the president. It is believed this means that Robinson has accepted Jerome's proposition to appear as complaining witness and that the county grand jury is preparing to take the matter in hand. Jerome declares, however, he had received no reply from either Attorney General Bonaparte or District Attorney Stimson, as to what course the government proposed to take. He said he could do nothing until he was assured such right of way was given him.

State Cash Box Will Be Depleted

(By Associated Press.)
CARSON, Jan. 28.—In the assembly this morning most of the session was taken up with the discussion of the attache bill, which gives additional patronage. After a stormy session new clerks were sworn in by Supreme Justice Sweeney. Gallagher who introduced a bill regulating stock exchanges in Nevada, asked permission to withdraw the bill, which was granted. The bill was to have been made a special order for this afternoon. The bill introduced by Mack increasing the salaries of state officers was considered in committee of whole and made a special order for Wednesday. Coryell in the senate this morning state the appropriations already asked for would exceed the amount in the state treasury, and suggested the appointment of a retrenchment committee. At the afternoon session of the assembly Lincoln county was divided, making two counties of it. Should the bill pass the senate the new county will be known as Clark, and Las Vegas will be the county seat, which gives Nevada fifteen instead of fourteen counties. Pioche will be the county seat of Lincoln county. The bill exempting all churches and houses of religion from taxation was passed.

THE VULCAN MINE HAS COMMENCED SHIPMENT OF ORE

E. W. Thomas, of Goldfield, is superintending the shipment of a carload of ore from the Vulcan group of claims owned by him, and lying almost within sight of Blair. The ore being sacked for shipment is some that was taken out several years ago by the former owners and will run about \$30, which will net about \$15 per ton at the Nevada Reduction Works in Goldfield. Mr. Thomas expects to ship two or three cars, and future operations will depend upon results from the trial shipments. The property has quite a history. A portion of the group as now held was patented years ago, about 1870, by Colonel Catherwood, who was at that time the local manager for the New York and Palmetto company, this group being part of their holdings and coming into possession of Colonel Catherwood in lieu of claims held against the company. Mr. Thomas came in touch with it some years ago, through a lawyer in New York City, by the name of Sharkey, which, to judge by the tenor of Mr. Thomas' conversation, was a good name for him. Sharkey tried to sell to Thomas, who was much impressed with his story and enlisted De Castro, of sugar history, in the enterprise. Together they sent a mining engineer out to make an examination. His first report, which was by wire, read: "A second Comstock if assays hold up;" this was supplemented by another in a day or two, which said that the price was too high. The figures were given at \$300,000, and the deal fell through. When the Tonopah discoveries were made some of Thomas' friends, who had known of the transaction, suggested that he take the matter up again, dealing directly with Colonel Catherwood, and the property came into the possession of Mr. Thomas. With the Vulcan there went the Spanish, and several others, and also the old mill, only partially finished, which stands on the south side of Silver Peak. The patent for the ground was the first issued in this section. Mr. Thomas has added to the Vulcan group by locations and the purchase of two contiguous locations made by Otis Carter.—Goldfield Tribune.

WORK ON BLUE LIGHT PROPERTIES ON THE INCREASE

MINA, Jan. 28.—The Blue Light Copper company is commencing to pursue extended developments at the Blue Light mine, eighteen miles west of Mina. A 100-horsepower Union gasoline hoist is expected on the ground this week, unless weather conditions interfere again with railroad traffic. This hoist will have a capacity of 4800 pounds load, which it will handle at a speed of 420 feet per minute from a depth of 722 feet at present. The concrete foundations for the hoisting engine are already to receive it, and an iron cheated engine house has been built. Arrangements have been made to carry the sinking down to the water level at once, it being thought that water will be encountered at or near the 1000 foot level. The mine is looking better than ever. Several claims have been added to the group lately. It is estimated that the ore now on the dump and that which is blocked out in the stopes at the 100 and 300 foot levels exceeds \$2,000,000 in value, even at the current low price of copper. The Blue Light mine, which is situated in the Gold Range (formerly the Silver Star) district, is by far the most important mine in the country surrounding Mina. The continual active developments which have been going on there, and the new work which has been planned, have lent a powerful impetus to the district at large.

WOULD REDUCE SALARIES

(Special to the Bonanza.)
CARSON, Jan. 28.—A sensation was sprung here today when the Nye county delegation served notice that they would introduce a bill to reduce the salary of the district attorney and other officers of that county. The opinion prevails in certain circles that the bill is unconstitutional.

RACE RESULTS AT OAKLAND YESTERDAY

First race, futurity course—Lucky Mate, 5-1, first; Marion Rose, second; Constantia, third.
Second race, three and a half furlongs—Gerano, 3-1, won; Warfare, second; Judge Quinn, third.
Third race, mile and one-sixteenth—Lady Alicia, 8-1, won; Red Leaf, second; Senator Beckman, third.
Fourth race, futurity course, selling—Honest, 3-1; Grace G., second; Raleigh, third.
Fifth race—Sea Salt, 3 1/4-1, won; Cambysses, second; Kogo, third.
Sixth race—Ketchemike, even, won; Early Tide, second; Warden, third.
Commencing tomorrow the Big Casino will take the Emeryville races and continue daily. The feature tomorrow will be the largest stake of the California meeting, the Burns' handicap, a purse of \$10,000 added to entrance fees. The best horses on the coast, in fact, the pick of the thoroughbreds of America, are carded to start in the Burns. Everybody who likes the racing game is invited, for they can almost imagine they can see the ponies running of the description that will be given of not only the Burns, but every other race that will be run in the future at Emeryville.
Try a Bonanza want ad.
Subscribe for the Bonanza.
Get your job work at the Bonanza.

Steamship Co. Brings Suit for Two Million

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—Counsel for the Oceanic Steam Navigation company, and the owners of the sunken steamer Republic, today filed suit for libel in the United States district court against the Lloyd Italian line, which ran down and sank the Republic off Nantucket lightship. Damages amounting to \$1,500,000 for the loss of the ship and 500,000 for loss of cargo and effects of passengers and crew are claimed. The libel asserts the collision was no fault of Captain Sealby of the Republic, but wholly the fault of the Florida which, it is alleged, did not keep its proper course and had no sufficient lookout, and did not give proper whistles nor pay any heed to the Republic's whistles. The court is asked to condemn the Florida and order the payment of \$2,000,000 damages to the owners of the Republic. The Lloyd Italiano Society de Navigazione, owners of the Florida, also filed in the United States district court libel and petition of liability against the Florida, her freight and passage money. The papers state the collision was caused solely by faults and neglect on the part of the Republic. The petitioners say the damage to the value of the Florida does not exceed \$224,000 and asks the court to fix the liability at not more than that amount. After filing papers in the proceedings against the Florida, United States Marshal Henckless seized the Italian vessel under a writ of attachment.

NOTABLE GATHERING AT LEADVILLE, COLO.

(By Associated Press.)
LEADVILLE (Colo.), Jan. 28.—One of the most cosmopolitan gatherings ever assembled in Leadville greeted the city today in commemoration of its thirtieth anniversary. A unique part of the program was the dinner given in the heart of a mine 1000 feet below the surface of the earth.

W. P. R. R. TO BUY N. C. & O.

(By Associated Press.)
CARSON, Jan. 28.—A report reached here today to the effect the Western Pacific had closed a bargain for the Nevada, California and Oregon railroad, a narrow gauge line that extends north of Reno to Madeline. The Western Pacific crosses this line thirty miles north of Reno. The plans of the Western Pacific are to broaden gauge the road and use it as a feeder for the Washoe country, and extend it as a broad gauge at once to Klamath lake.